

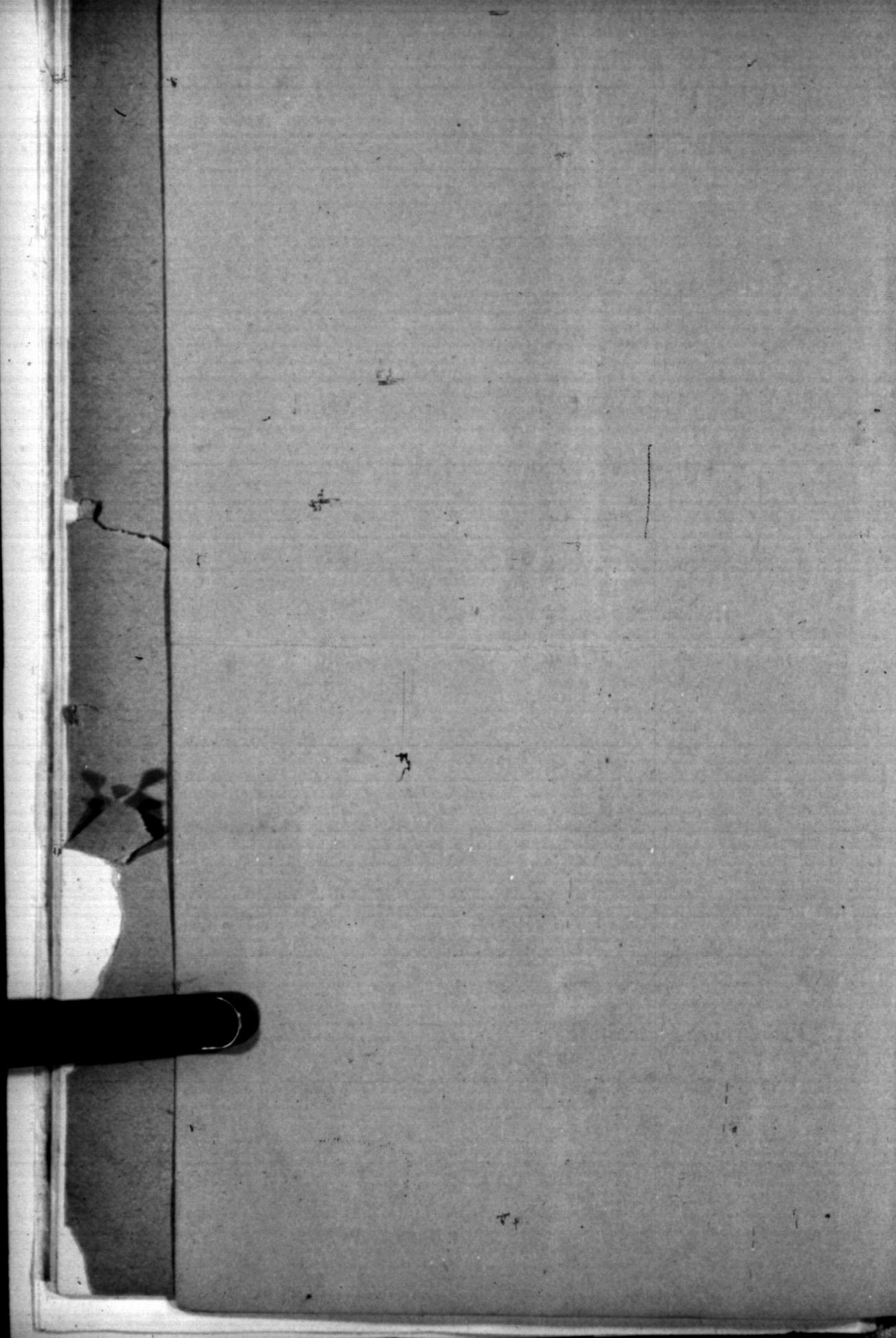
**—Held At—**

**SAND HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Richton, Miss., R. F. D. No. 1.**

**October 13, 14, and 15, 1922.**





**PROCEEDINGS**  
**SECOND ANNUAL SESSION**  
—Of The—  
**Greene County Baptist  
Association**

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**Next Meeting Will Be Held At**  
**AVERA BAPTIST CHURCH, AVERA, MISSISSIPPI.**  
**Friday and Saturday, October 19-20, 1923.**

## **ORDAINED MINISTERS**

D. P. Lankford.....	State Line, Miss.
L. K. Turner.....	Leakesville, Miss.

## **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

E. M. Ball.....	Leakesville, Miss., Route 1
D. R. Williams.....	Leakesville, Miss., Route 1
D. C. Coaker.....	Leakesville, Miss., Route 1
Roy Kittrell.....	Leakesville, Miss., Route 1
B. C. Daughdrill.....	Leaf, Miss.
J. E. Miller.....	Leakesville, Miss.
E. E. Todd.....	McLain, Miss.
T. G. Byrd.....	Richton, Miss., Route 4
J. W. Mills.....	Leakesville, Miss., Route 1
Joe Walley.....	Richton, Miss., Route 1
J. D. Turner.....	Leakesville, Miss.
W. J. Williams.....	Fruit Dale, Ala.
A. H. Harvison.....	Neely, Miss.
R. Pendley.....	Avera, Miss.
J. E. Henderson.....	Piave, Miss.
J. C. Williams.....	Fruit Dale, Ala.
Harmon Brewer.....	State Line, Miss.
J. C. Henderson.....	Richton, Miss., Route 5
L. L. Henderson.....	Buckatunna, Miss., Route 1

## **PROCEEDINGS**

### **First Day—Morning Session**

Richton, Miss., Oct. 13, 1922.

The Green County Baptist Association met this day in its annual session, with Joe Walley as Moderator and E. L. Turner as Secretary pro tem. It was called to order at 11 o'clock, and after several songs, A. R. Lofton conducted the devotional exercises. A. L. O'Briant preached the Introductory Sermon, as neither Bro. J. S. Starnes or L. B. Golden were present.

On motion the body adjourned for dinner to meet again at 2:00 o'clock.

### **First Day—Afternoon Session**

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and after being led in prayer by A. R. Lofton the Moderator proceeded to organize the Association for business. Charley Wade, T. G. Byrd, E. E. Todd, J. C. Henderson and N. R. Ketin were appointed as Finance Committee. T. G. Byrd, Chester Ezell, and S. R. Turner as reading clerks.

Letters from the different churches were called for and messengers seated as follows:

Avera, Mr. Chester Ezell, Mr. R. Pendley, Mrs. A. B. Mills, and Mrs. M. E. Simpson.

#### **Antioch—**

Bethany: W. J. Williams, Luther Williams, A. S. Denmark, and W. D. Weldy.

Cedar Grove: P. E. James and T. H. Davis.

County Line: Dave Kittrell, L. L. Henderson and W. M. Smith.

#### **Fellowship—**

Leaf—By Letter.

Leakesville: E. L. Turner, A. F. Cook and Mrs. W. W. Evans.

McLain: E. E. Todd and Miss Batrus Dunnam.

Mt. Vernon: E. E. Black, J. E. Henderson and W. A. Odom.

#### **Macedonia—**

Pleasant Hill: L. K. Turner, Ganes West and T. G. Byrd.

Sand Hill: Charley Wade, Miss Lula James and Mrs. E. N. Beard.

Sweet Water: E. R. Keaton and S. R. Turner.

Salem (New): T. W. Beard, Clenton Beard and J. W. Walley.

Salem: J. R. Walley, N. Brewer, and J. C. Henderson.

Unity—

Washington: Charley Hillman and J. L. Hathorn.

### Correspondents Received

Correspondents from other Associations were called for and received as follows:

A. L. O'Briant—State Conventions.

J. L. Jackson—Washington County, Ala.

J. E. Low, A. R. Lofton—George County, Miss.

T. C. King—Purvis, Miss.

### Correspondents Arranged

Correspondents were elected to go to other Associations and Conventions.

On motion the body went into formal organization which resulted in the election of the following officers:

L. K. Turner, Moderator, and J. C. Henderson, Secretary and Treasurer.

The following committees were appointed and announced by the Moderator:

Program Committee—Charley Wade, T. G. Byrd and E. E. Todd.

Periodicals and Publications—R. Pendley, Charley Hillman and W. A. Odom.

Denominational Education—N. R. Keaton, Chester Ezell and T. H. Davis.

Baptist Orphanage—A. R. Lofton, P. E. James and S. R. Turner.

Law and Order or Temperance—A. L. Bryant, Mrs. E. N. Beard and E. E. Black.

Music—E. L. Turner, J. S. Starnes and Miss Beatrice Dunnom.

Sunday Schools—L. J. Hathorn, David Kitrol and J. E. Henderson.

Memorials—Miss Lue James, Chester Ezell and Mrs. M. E. Simpson.

Ministerial Relief—J. E. Loe, Ganes West and Charley Hillman.

State Missions—A. E. Lofton, J. R. Walley and Chester Ezell.

Home Missions—J. E. Loe and S. R. Turner.

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Foreign Missions—A. L. O'Briant, T. G. Byrd and Miss Lue James.

B. Y. P. U.—Mrs. J. S. Starnes, Charley Hillman and E. L. Turner.

Querries, Requests and Nominations—R. R. Keaton, P. E. James and L. J. Hathorn.

Resolutions—E. E. Todd, Mrs. A. E. Miles and Joe Henderson.

Digest of Reports—A. L. O'Briant, Charley Hillman and J. C. Henderson.

The Association adjourned after prayer by King until 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

### Second Day—Morning Session

After several songs the Association was called to order at 9 o'clock, with all the officers present. Prayer by A. R. Lofton and devotional exercises by J. E. Lowe.

Correspondents Received: J. W. Rooker, Corresponding Secretary of the General Association.

E. M. Ball.

The Moderator appointed the following executive board for the Association:

Avera, R. Pendley; Antioch, D. R. Williams; Bethny, W. J. Williams; Cedar, D. C. Koker; County Line, L. L. Henderson; Fellowship, Roy Kitrol; Johnson Creek, Harmon Brewer; Leaf, B. C. Dodral; Leakesville, J. E. Miller; McLain, E. E. Todd; Mt. Vernon, J. E. Henderson; Macedonia, J. C. Williams; Pleasant Hill, T. G. Byrd; Sand Hill, Joe Walley; Salem (New), J. W. Mills; Salem, J. C. Henderson; Unity, E. M. Ball; Sweet Water, J. D. Turner; Washington, A. H. Harvison.

Report on State Missions was read by A. R. Lofton, discussed by him and J. E. Lowe.

### Report of Finance Committee

Avera, \$7.50; Leaf, \$5.00; McLain, \$4.00; Leakesville, \$10.00; Salem, \$5.00; County Line, \$4.00; Sand Hill, \$6.25; Cedar Grove, \$5.00; Washington, \$5.00; Mt. Vernon, \$6.00; Sweet Water, \$5.00; Pleasant Hill, \$5.00; Bethany, \$6.00; Salem (New), \$3.00; Johnson Creek, \$6.85.

### Report on State Missions

The following report was sent by J. R. Walley and adopted as follows:

The mission work within the state has made good progress during the year. While the financial conditions have not been as good as last year, yet the pastors and churches and all the working forces of the denomination in the state have rendered splendid service and the various causes have made great strides forward.

### **The 75-Million Campaign**

1. We call special attention to the Re-enforcement Campaign which will be put on in all of the Associations this Fall, when an effort will be made (a) to enlist all members who did not subscribe to the 75-Million Campaign at the beginning and all new members who have since come into our church; (b) to collect all pledges due and to solicit cash contributions from all who have made no pledges; and (c) to enroll as many tithers as possible in all of our churches.

2. We present the following facts concerning the progress of the 75-Million Campaign up to May 1st, 1922; Amount pledged by Mississippi, \$4,209,585. Amount paid first year, \$862,196; second year, \$535,273, third year \$427,182.58; Total \$1,824,651.58. Amount paid by all of the South, \$35,164,309.77.

We would urge that contributions to this fund be made regularly by all of the churches and that the treasurers forward the amounts monthly to Dr. R. B. Gunter, Jackson.

**J. R. WALLEY,  
CHESTER EZELL.**

Report on Home Missions was read by J. E. Lowe, and after being discussed by J. E. Lowe was adopted.

### **Report on Home Missions**

It is with gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we can report good work during the past year, but it is with regret we cannot enter every open door, and comply with every cry which comes to us. The field is white already unto harvest. The board had to say on account of funds, The laborer are few and tireless, but their reward is abundant, for which we have great reason to be thankful and lift our eyes to Him from whom all blessings flow. Our Home Missions consist of Co-operative Missions, Enlistment, Evangelism, Maintaining Schools, Foreigners, Indians, Negroes, Cuba, Panama, Soldiers and Seamen, Publicity, Southern Baptist Sanitorium and Church Extension.

Last year under the direction of the Home Mission Board we had 1,188 missionaries who supplied 3,131 churches and delivered 165,445 sermons and addresses, Baptized 561 converts, organized 305 churches, built and improved 456 houses of worship, organized 786 Sunday Schools, distributed millions of pages of tracts and thousands of copies of the Scripture.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. E. LOWE,  
W. J. WILLIAMS.

Report on Foreign Missions was read and discussed by A. L. O'Briant and also discussed by J. W. Rooker.

#### Report on Foreign Missions

It would be impossible in this brief report to record all the wonderful things God has wrought in our Foreign Mission Fields, we can merely call attention to the most important. The total amount contributed to Foreign Missions by Southern Baptists during the past year is \$1,814,598.32. A great relief work has been done in the field that is occupied by our Missionaries.

\$95,492.19 has been given and designated for this work, there has been a great growth in our work on the foreign fields, this growth has been along the following lines: In the faithfulness of the Missionaries, and the blessings of God upon their labors. The growth of the Missionaries institute the converts which they have baptized, the growth and development of the noted christians and the growing friendliness of noted populations for the Missionaries and their work.

We have now on our Foreign Mission Fields 622 churches with a total membership of 64,251. We have in our Sunday Schools 53,601 students, we have in the Day Schools conducted by our missionaries 26,423 students with 370 Ministerial Students. The total number baptized during the year is 7,891. Another interesting fact about our Foreign Mission work is the increased giving on the part of noted christians. During the past year \$465,235 was given. This is a far greater average per capita, than was given by Southern Baptists. A great new field has been opened in Europe and promises to become one of our great missionary opportunities.

The great need now is that our people shall be faithful in meeting their pledges to the 75-Million Campaign so that

work may go forward and new fields of opportunities be filled with new missionaries in those rapidly growing fields.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. O'BRIANT.

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#### Report on W. M. U.

As we praise God for the work the W. M. U. has done in Mississippi the past year, we wish it were better that it might be more pleasing to have our women and young people realizing as never before the opportunity and privilege of service. Our mission study reports show the work to be growing rapidly and the result proves that where the women are becoming informed along all lines of Missionary Work there is found the greatest enthusiasm and efficiency.

Prayer has been emphasized in every program through the year realizing that the chief aim of all christian work is the saving of souls, it is urged that all the W. M. U. members and societies help to strengthen the efforts of their churches, that as individuals we seek to become winners of souls "To our God, who is above all that we ask or think." Be all the glory and renewed pledges for greater achievements in the coming year.

Submitted by committee,

MRS. A. B. MILLS,  
MRS. E. N. BEARD,  
MRS. E. N. EVANS.

Discussed by A. L. O'Briant, N. R. Keaton, L. K. Turner and J. S. Jackson.

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Report on music by John F. Starnes and Beatrice Dunnam and discussed by J. W. Rooker.

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#### Report on Music

Music is an essential part of church worship and should be renewed in the spirit, and with understanding and all church music should be strictly devotional and in harmony with the gospel, and we recommend to our churches that in this connection we zealously guard against the present day tendencies to introduce our song services with a touch of worldly song and jazz music and when we sing let us sing the Gospel.

### **Report on Ministerial Relief**

Report on Ministerial Relief read and discussed by A. L. O'Briant.

Your committee would report as follows, we have 26 old worn out ministers and 15 ministers' wives and widows looking to us for support, shall we turn a deaf ear to these needs. May the Lord help us to do our duty to them in a great way.

Signed by the committee,

J. E. LOWE,  
C. HILLMAN,  
GAINES WEST.

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### **Periodicals and Publications**

The Baptist Record, the official organ of Mississippi Baptists, reaches 10,500 homes, while we are informed there are 200,000 Baptists in Mississippi. The average family, we believe, consists of about five persons, hence, it can readily be seen that approximately 30,000 homes in Mississippi never see the Baptist Record, which has grown to be one of the best religious periodicals in the South.

This means that at least 75% of Mississippi Baptists do not keep in touch with our denominational program, and how can we be efficient and loyal Baptists unless we know what our denomination is doing and striving to do, and how may we know these things unless we read Baptist periodicals and Baptist literature?

We would recommend and urge that the pastors and finance committees of the various churches in this Association emphasize the necessity and importance of the Baptist Record going into every Baptist home, as it is a matter of record that the more Baptist Literature we read, the more interested we become in Kingdom work and the more liberally we will support the objects fostered by our denomination.

"Home and Foreign Fields" published by The Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, as its name implies, if read, will keep us posted as to what progress is being made by our missionaries in the different fields.

The Tract Department of our State Board at Jackson, Miss., will upon request furnish tracts on tithing, stewardship and denominational plans. If Baptist periodicals and literature were more liberally patronized and read, a great many of our people would become tithers, and if one-tenth

of Mississippi Baptists would tithe, the problem of financing our work would be settled.

Respectfully submitted,  
RUMSEY PENDLEY,  
C. H. HILLMAN,  
W. A. ODOM,  
Committee.

#### Report on Temperance

Report on Law and Order adopted as read by A. L. O'Briant and J. W. Rooker.

We the delegates and churches of Green County Association raise our voices in a hearty protest against law violation and the shameful disorder so common in our country.

We call upon our women and men to encourage and assist our courts and officers in the enforcement of law against making, selling and drinking of intoxicants. To joke about bootlegging and whiskey selling is to encourage it.

We urge that our people see to it that we select men to fill office who are afraid of whiskey in every sense, especially our Board of Supervisors and County Sheriff.

The recent murders and suicides growing out of violations of these laws show to what desperate things these criminals will resort. We condemn all deeds of violence committed in railroad strikes and everywhere, we believe it is the right of every American citizen to work wherever he desires and to receive protection.

We also deplore the tendency of our young people to break down bible standards of morality which tend to weakenen and destroy both modesty and virtue.

Dancing, mixed and indiscriminate bathing, automobile driving, especially late at night without a companion for these things contain much harm.

Respectfully,  
A. L. O'BRIANT.  
E. E. BLACK.

#### Report on Memorials

We the committee of Memorials report the following:

Whereas, our Heavenly Father has seen fit to take from this world into the great beyond the following brethren and sisters:

From the Avera church—John Brannan and Mrs. W. L. Mills.

Leakesville—Mrs. Mose Mixon.

Sand Hill—W. M. Culpepper.

Washington—Bro. R. Byrd and Sister R. L. Turner.

McLain—Henry Achroyd.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER EZELL,

MRS. M. E. SIMPSON,

MISS LULA JONES.

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#### Report on Querries, Requests and Nominations

We your committee on Nominations beg leave to report as follows:

Upon examination we find that three churches of the Association have asked for the next session. We your committee recommend that the next session meet with New Avera Church, located on Blodgett Branch of the G. M. & N. R. R., Friday before the 3rd Sunday in October, 1923 at 10 o'clock.

L. K. Turner, member of state board.

Respectfully submitted,

N. R. KEETON,

P. E. JAMES,

L. J. HATHORN.

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Resolutions that the Association order the Secretary-Treasurer to have 300 copies of the Minutes of this Association printed and that he pay for the same out of the funds of the Association.

Ordered by the Association that the Secretary-Treasurer be allowed the sum of \$15.00 for his services in keeping the proceedings of the Association.

Also forward a copy of the Minutes to Dr. R. B. Gunter.

By a suggestion of the Moderator, a collection was taken for the Orphans Home at Jackson which amounted to \$7.52.

On motion the body adjourned to meet at 9:30 Sunday morning.

After several songs and prayer by Bro. J. W. Rooker the Association was called to order by the Moderator. The Moderator appointed Dr. J. B. Gunter of Jackson, Miss to preach the introductory sermon at the next meeting of the Association and Bro. C. M. Grayson, Magee, Miss., his alternate.

The report on Sunday School was read by N. R. Keeton and discussed by him and J. R. Black.

### **Report on Sunday Schools**

We your committee on Sunday School beg leave to submit the following report:

As we find that few churches in our association have Sunday Schools, and we feel that the Sunday Schools are a stepping stone for the up-building of the cause of Christ.

So we earnestly urge our brethren to the sense of their duty and organize a Sunday School. Also the Pastors of each of these churches are urged to take an active part in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID KITTRELL  
L. J. HATHORN.

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### **Report on Orphanage.**

Discussed by N. R. Keeton, J. W. Rooker and J. R. Carter.

The Mississippi Baptist Orphanage which was established twenty-five years ago, has cared for more than one thousand children, many of whom are now filling positions of usefulness in our state and other states. We have now in the home 180, all of whom are in good health, and are being trained in many of the arts and vocations preparatory to a useful life; special attention being given to their mental, moral and religious training.

This home is supported entirely by voluntary contributions. Our people have been loyal in their support of our orphan children in the years passed. They are now receiving their support through the 75-Million Fund, their prorata of which is just sufficient to meet their actual expenses if all pledges are paid. We urge that our church members pay their pledges to the campaign, that the orphans may have their living. We also recommend that our people continue their donations of clothing, dry goods, groceries and supplies of all kinds which help very materially in their support. We also urge that our churches and people generally join with the forces that are seeking to improve the sanitary, health and moral conditions throughout the state, in so doing prevent the necessity of breaking up many homes and separating children from their mothers.

Respectfully submitted,

P. E. JAMES,  
A. R. LOFTON.

At eleven o'clock, the appointed hour for preaching service, Bro. A. L. O'Briant in his most impressive way addressed the association on the following subject: "Let This Mind Be In You Which Was Also In Christ Jesus," found in second chapter of Philippians.

On suggestion of the Moderator, a collection was taken for our beloved old brother, J. L. Jackson, which amounted to \$22.00.

The following report of the Resolution Committee was adopted:

Resolved that we, the officers and messengers of the Greene County Baptist Association hereby extend our sincere thanks to the members of Sand Hill Baptist Church, and the people of the entire community for their kind, hospitality while in their midst, and for their help and co-operation in this work.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Avera Baptist Church on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1923. The congregation was dismissed with prayer by Bro. J. L. Jackson.

L. K. TURNER, Moderator.  
J. C. HENDERSON, Sec'y-Treas.

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B. Y. P. U. Report was adopted after discussion by L. K. Turner and others.

#### Report on B. Y. P. U. Work

An efficient church member is one who is ready to serve his church in every way possible. By attending service in private and public, reads his bible, teaches in Sunday School, leads in prayer meetings and serves where the church calls.

Therefore the need of the B. Y. P. U. in every church should be developed to a point of efficiency.

#### Our Progress:

Last year there was nearly 250 new unions and by the close of this year we hope that we will make equally as good progress.

We recommend that in connection with B. Y. P. U. literature, a careful and prayerful study of the bible.

For information any B. Y. P. U. can and ought to write our State Secretary, Mr. Auber J. Wilde, Oxford, Miss.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. S. STERNS,  
CHARLEY HILLMAN,  
E. L. TURNER, Committee.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention at Kansas City, Mo.—J. E. Miller, Leakesville, Miss.; and Joe Walley, Richton, Miss., alternate.

State Baptist Convention, Grenada, Miss., Nov. 14, 1922—Joe Walley and J. C. Henderson, Richton, Miss.

Delegates to the General Association—J. C. Henderson and E. J. Shows, Richton, Miss.

Resolved that there be no committees on Querries, Request and Nominations, dispensed with and the meetings of the Associations shall be by nominations and voted on by the entire body.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. E. TODD.

#### SECRETARY-TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Year 1921-22.

#### GREENE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION RECEIPTS

Received from Finance Committee.....	\$75.16
Received from James Henderson.....	13.25
(Clerk of old Greene County Ass'n.)	
	\$88.41

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Paid Tylertown Times printing minutes.....	\$36.75
Paid Secretary-Treasurer .....	15.00
Paid Newton James (old debt).....	7.41
Paid E. L. Turner, (old debt).....	3.00
Paid for postage and stationery.....	2.00
	\$64.16

Balance on hand Oct. 12, 1922.....	\$24.25
Associational purpose .....	83.49
	\$107.74

J. C. HENDERSON, Sec'y-Treas.

#### CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Association shall be called the Greene County Association of Missionary Baptists.

Article 2. The object of this association shall be to carry out our Lord's command, viz: "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of

the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." And especially to promote the Sunday School cause, to encourage a deeper interest in our denominational schools and literature; to encourage temperance; to use our best efforts to preach the gospel to the destitute, and to further any and all worthy benevolent enterprises.

Article 3. The membership of this body shall consist of messengers elected annually by the churches belonging to the association, with the resident pastors.

Article 4. This association shall meet annually at a time and place decided upon at a preceding meeting.

Article 5. It shall be the duty of each church belonging to this body to elect and send annually three messengers, together with a letter containing such information as may be required to make up intelligible tables of statistics.

Article 6. The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, and a Secretary-Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot and shall hold their office until their successors are elected, whose duties shall be such as devolve upon such officers.

Article 7. There shall be a Mission Board consisting of one member from each church belonging to this association, such members to be appointed annually by the Moderator and approved by the Association.

Article 8. This Board shall meet while the Association is in session and elect its own chairman and secretary, and attend to any other business that may be necessary, and shall hold its meetings regularly thereafter on Saturday before the fifth Sunday during the year. This Board shall have power to transact all business relating to the objects for which this Association stands. Five or more shall be constituted a quorum to transact business at any regular meeting.

Article 9. This Association shall never exercise any ecclesiastical authority whatever over the churches.

Article 10. Corresponding messengers from other Associations and conventions of Missionary Baptists, and all brethren who may be invited to seats with us are entitled to all the privileges of the Association except the right to vote.

Art. 11. Before the close of the meeting of the Association, the Moderator shall appoint a principal and an alternate to preach the Introductory Sermon at the next meeting of the Association.

Article 12. All questions coming before the Association shall be decided by a majority vote, except that it shall require a two-thirds vote to exclude a church, or alter the Constitution or Articles of Faith; and any such alteration shall be made only after one year's notice thereof has been given, it being definitely understood that Article 1 shall ever remain in full force.

Article 13. Every church belonging to this Association is expected to contribute regularly to the work of this Association, the contributing church or individual having the right to specify the object to which the contribution shall be applied.

Article 14. Every sitting of this Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost—equal in power and glory.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old Testament and the New were written by the inspiration of God, and are the only rules of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, of total depravity and man's inability to restore himself in the favor of God.

4. We believe that God chose His people, in Christ, before the foundation of the world, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

6. We believe that the Gospel is God's appointed means of calling sinners to the knowledge of the Truth; and as He has commanded it to be preached to every creature, all are required to obey.

7. We believe that good works are the fruit of faith, and the only evidence of justification; and that all believers will abound therein from a principle of love.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, the just and the unjust, and the general judgement, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that a visible church of Christ is composed of baptized believers only, who are covenanted to

keep up a discipline agreeable to the rules of the New Testament Scriptures.

10. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only lawgiver of His church and that the government is with the church each member having equal rights therein.

11. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are the only ordinances of the Church, and are to be continued until the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

12. We believe that immersion only is Baptism, and can be administered only by those duly authorized by the church, and that only believers in Christ are the proper subjects of the ordinance.

13. We believe that regularly Baptized believers only have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper.

14. We believe that the churches compose Christ's visible kingdom on the earth, and they are independent of each other; choosing their own bishops, and other executive officers, none of whom may lord it over God's heritage.

#### Rules of Decorum

1. All meetings of the Association shall be opened with prayer and closed with prayer and benediction.

2. The first order of business shall be the calling of the roll of the churches composing the same and the enrollment of delegates representing them.

3. No delegates can be enrolled until they furnish evidence in writing from the church which they propose to represent, which shall be submitted to the Clerk.

4. No business shall be discussed by the body unless it shall have been brought up before it by a motion sustained by a second.

6. The Moderator may correct any speaker for misquotation, personal reflection, or indiscreet language.

7. Any member feeling himself aggrieved by the ruling of the Moderator may appeal to the Association, when if it is sustained by a two-thirds vote, the Moderator's ruling shall be reversed.

8. All members shall use the term "Brother" when addressing or speaking to each other; and one failing to observe this rule shall subject himself to reprimand by the Moderator.

9. Any or all of the rules may be altered or amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds majority vote.

Table No. 1—CHURCH DIRECTORY

## CHURCH HOUSE

Churches (When Constituted)	Pastors and Postoffices	Clerks and Postoffices	Meeting Sundays													
			Baptisms	Letters Received	By Statements	By Restorations	Letters Granted	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Present Members	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper	When Built	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds
Avera, 1920	J. L. Low, Richton	A. B. Miles, Avera	2	23	28	4	3	2	106	7	1920 *	300	1	\$1,500	\$ 300	
Antioch	Not Represented															
Bethany, 1916	A. P. Wells, Vossburg	A. D. Denmark, Vinegar	3	14	14	2	1	1	46			300	1	1,000		
Cedar Grove	L. B. Golden, Leakesville	C. L. Kitrel, Leakesville	3													
County Line	F. H. Cuff, Chichora	A. N. Smith, Bucatunna	1	4		1	8	2	115			250	1	500		
Fellowship	Not Represented															
Johnson Creek	J. E. Singley, Milery	J. Griffin, State Line	3	2					87							
Leaf	C. M. Grayson, McGee	J. C. Daughdrill, Leaf	3	6	2		3	1	53	1919 *	250	1	1,000			
Leakesville, 1905	A. F. Cook, Leakesville	A. F. Cook, Leakesville	1-3	17	2		3	1	137	1909 *	500	3	5,000			
McLain	D. D. Daughdrill, McLain	D. D. Daughdrill, McLain	4	4	1	1	102			300	1	1,250				
Mt. Vernon, 1921	J. F. Starns, Purvis	J. R. Black, Piave	2	16	4				40							
Macedonia	Not Represented															
Pleasant Hill, 1883	L. K. Turner, Richton	W. H. Webb, Richton	1	12	7	2	6		148	8	*	350	1	1,600	200	
Sand Hill	J. F. Starns, Purvis	E. N. Beard, Richton	1	5	3	2	1	163	1921 *	400	1	2,000		500		
Salem (new), 1914	W. T. Smith, Ovett	J. W. Mills, Leakesville	2	6	3		1	57	4	1914 *	300	1	1,000		110	
Salem, 1909	J. C. Henderson, Richton	J. C. Henderson, Richton	2	1	1	1	1	38	1	1913 *	250	1	500			
Sweet Water	W. E. Turner, Leakesville		2					90	1	1915 *	350	1	1,500	50		
Unity	Not Represented	H. N. Breland, Neely	17	7	1	2	129	4	1916 *	600	1	2,000				
Washington			Total, 1921	124	74	4	731	6	8	1211	B4	4058		18,850	\$ 1,160	
			Total Last Year,	95	47	1	321	7	12							

\*—All buildings made of wood.

All Churches reporting held Revival Meetings during year.

Table No. 2—LOCAL CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Churches	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Total Local Church Contributions									
		Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministers and Deacons	Builders and Repairs	Help for Local Poor	Literature for U. S. Sunday School	Practicality and Publicity	Other Objects	Total Local Church	
Avera	R. Penley, Avera Not Represented	\$600.00	\$16.00	\$147.38	\$300.00	\$183.60	\$30.80	\$55.69	\$ 8.75	\$1342.12	
Antioch	A. S. Denmark Vinegar Bend	90.00				20.00		12.00		122.00	
Bethany	C. L. Kittrel, Leakesville	300.00				35.00	2.00			300.00	
Cedar Grove	W. M. Smith, Richton	180.00								217.00	
County Line											
Fellowship											
Johnson Creek	J. C. Daughdrill, Leaf	50.62								50.62	
Leaf	Newton James, Leakesville	350.00	74.00	15.00	21.00	150.00	150.00	96.00		541.00	
Leakesville	W. C. Roberts, McLain	600.00		10.00	80.00					1005.00	
McLain	J. R. Black, Plave, Miss.	240.00								665.00	
Mt. Vernon		229.86								342.68	
Macedonia											
Pleasant Hill	W. H. Webb, Richton	200.00	40.00	5.00	450.00					775.00	
Sand Hill	Melton Valley, Richton	425.00								554.00	
Salem (new)		76.20								186.20	
Salem	Miss Mary Henderson	110.00				75.00		41.52		253.52	
Sweet Water	W. E. Turner, Leakesville	290.00		10.00		25.00		75.00		310.00	
Unity											
Washington	H. N. Breeland, Neely	400.00		16.00	194.50	5.00	25.00	9.14	\$2.50	631.14	

**Table No. 2, Cont.—DENOMINATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

Churches	Special Volence Post Offices	Campaign or Treasurers and Bene-	75 Million Campaign Funds (Undesignated)	\$21.00	\$181.50	\$ 7.50	\$189.00
			Regular Schools (D) and Colleges				
			Orphanage (D)				
Avera	R. Pendley, Avera						
Antioch							
Bethany							
Cedar Grove							
County Line							
Fellowship							
Johnson Creek							
Leaf							
Leakesville							
McLain							
Mt. Vernon	S. S. Henderson, Pearce						
Macedonia							
Pleasant Hill	T. G. Byrd, Richton						
Sand Hill							
Salem (new)	W. W. Henderson, Richton						
Sweet Water	E. W. Paterson, Leakesville						
Unity							
Washington							
			Total 75 Million Campaign Funds				
			Association				
			Total of all Denom- inational Contrib'ns				

TABLE NO. 3.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—STATISTICAL SUMMARY

